IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 8 at line 6 to recite:

-- R^{12} ' is (C₁-C₁₆) alkyl, branched alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, phenalkyl, or alkoxy or hydroxy, anhydride, or hydrogen, with the proviso that when R^{12} ' is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to R^{12} X^{12} through a linker moiety L and wherein R^{12} ' is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent, wherein --

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 9 at line 9 to recite:

--R¹²' is (C₁-C₁₆) phenalkyl, or alkoxy or anhydride or hydroxy, with the proviso that when R¹²' is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to $\underline{R^{12}} \times^{12}$ through an ether oxygen and wherein R¹²' is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent;--

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 11 at line 7 to recite:

-- R^{12} ' is (C_1 - C_{16}) alkyl, branched alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, phenalkyl, or alkoxy or hydroxy, anhydride, or hydrogen, with the proviso that when R^{12} ' is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to R^{12} through a linker moiety L and wherein R^{12} ' is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent, wherein --

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 12 at line 11 to recite:

-- R^{12} ' is (C₁-C₁₆) alkyl, branched alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, phenalkyl, or alkoxy or hydroxy, anhydride, or hydrogen, with the proviso that when R^{12} ' is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to $R^{12} \times R^{12}$ through a linker moiety L and wherein R^{12} ' is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent, wherein --

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 13 at line 15 to recite:

-- R^{12} ' is (C₁-C₁₆) alkyl, branched alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, phenalkyl, or alkoxy or hydroxy, anhydride, or hydrogen, with the proviso that when R^{12} ' is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to R^{12} through a linker moiety L and wherein R^{12} ' is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent, wherein --

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 14 at line 15 to page 15 at line 3 to recite:

-- R^{12} ' is (C₁-C₁₆) alkyl, branched alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, phenalkyl, or alkoxy or hydroxy, anhydride, or hydrogen, with the proviso that when R^{12} ' is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to $\underline{R^{12}} \times^{12}$ through a linker moiety L and wherein R^{12} ' is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent, wherein --

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 16 at line 3 to recite:

-- R^{12} ' is (C₁-C₁₆) alkyl, branched alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, phenalkyl, or alkoxy or hydroxy, anhydride, or hydrogen, with the proviso that when R^{12} ' is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to $R^{12} \times H^{12}$ through a linker moiety L and wherein R^{12} ' is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent, wherein --

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 17 at line 6 to recite:

-- R^{12} ' is (C₁-C₁₆) phenalkyl, or alkoxy or anhydride or hydroxy, with the proviso that when R^{12} ' is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to $\underline{R^{12}}$ $\underline{X^{12}}$ through an ether oxygen and wherein R^{12} ' is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent;--

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 32 at line 4 to recite:

-- R^{12} ' is (C₁-C₁₆) alkyl, branched alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, phenalkyl, or alkoxy or hydroxy, anhydride, or hydrogen, with the proviso that when R^{12} ' is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to R^{12} through a linker moiety L and wherein R^{12} ' is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent, wherein --